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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1-5. (Canceled).
- 6. (Previously Presented) An isolated nucleic acid comprising:
- (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81;
- (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81; or
- (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203317.
 - 7-10. (Canceled).
- 11. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81.
- 13. (Original) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203317.
- 14. (Previously Presented) An isolated nucleic acid that hybridizes under stringent conditions to:
 - (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81 or the complement thereof;
- (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81 or the complement thereof; or
- (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203317 or the complement thereof;

wherein said stringent conditions comprise 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 μg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule is suitable for use as a PCR primer, or probe;

and wherein said isolated nucleic acid is at least about 450 nucleotides in length.

15. (Canceled).

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16. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 500 nucleotides in length.

- 17. (Previously Presented) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 4 Claim 6.
- 18. (Original) The vector of Claim 17, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
 - 19. (Previously Presented) An isolated host cell comprising the vector of Claim 17.
- 20. (Original) The host cell of Claim 19, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an E. coli or a yeast cell.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 600 nucleotides in length.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 700 nucleotides in length.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 800 nucleotides in length.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 900 nucleotides in length.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 1000 nucleotides in length.
- 26. (Previously Presented) An isolated nucleic acid having at least 95% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81;
 - (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81; or
- (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203317;

wherein said nucleic acid hybridizes to the complement of a nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO: 81 under conditions of 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 μ g/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C.

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27. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 26 having at least 99% nucleic acid sequence identity to:

- (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81;
- (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:81; or
- (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203317;

wherein said nucleic acid hybridizes to the complement of a nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO: 81 under conditions of 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 µg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C.

- 28. (Previously Presented) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 26.
- 29. (Previously Presented) The vector of Claim 28, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
 - 30. (Previously Presented) An isolated host cell comprising the vector of Claim 28.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The host cell of Claim 30, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an E. coli or a yeast cell.